

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in this application.

**Listing of Claims**

Claim 1 (currently amended): A garment comprising a stretch fabric wherein the garment is adapted to cover at least a part of the lower body of a wearer, has a crotch part, and is adapted to be worn by being fitted to the wearer's body, wherein:

the garment in part has a portion with a strong straining force;

the portion with a strong straining force is a first strong straining portion;

wearer's right and left parts of the first portion are connected at a position on the back side of the garment corresponding to any region from os sacrum to vertebrae lumbalis of the wearer's body; and

the first portion covers a region extending from said position through tops of bulges of the buttocks in approximately a middle part of musculus gluteus maximus and approximately in the direction of muscle fibers of musculus ~~gluteus~~ gluteus maximus at wearer's right and left to at least the vicinity of trochanter major.

Claim 2 (previously presented): The garment according to claim 1, further comprising a second strong straining portion, wherein:

wearer's right and left parts of the second portion are connected at a position on the garment corresponding to musculus rectus abdominis in a hypogastric region; and

the second portion covers a region extending obliquely downward from the position on musculus rectus abdominis in a hypogastric region approximately in the direction of muscle fibers of musculus obliquus internus abdominis at wearer's right and left to at least the vicinity of trochanter major.







Claim 25 (currently amended): A garment comprising:

a stretch fabric wherein the garment is adapted to cover at least a part of the lower body of a wearer, has a crotch part, and is adapted to be worn by being fitted to the wearer's body;

a first strong straining portion with a strong straining force,

wherein wearer's right and left parts of the first portion are connected at a position on the back side of the garment corresponding to any region from os sacrum to vertebrae lumbalis of the wearer's body;

the first portion covers a region extending from said position through tops of bulges of the buttocks or vicinities thereof approximately in the direction of muscle fibers of musculus ~~gluteus~~ gluteus maximus at wearer's right and left to at least the vicinity of trochanter major; and

a fourth strong straining portion,

wherein wearer's right and left parts of the fourth portion are connected at a position on the garment corresponding to musculus rectus abdominis in a hypogastric region; and

the fourth portion covers a region extending obliquely upward from the position on musculus rectus abdominis in hypogastric region approximately in the direction of muscle fibers of musculus obloquies externus adominis at wearer's right and left to at least a position exceeding the sides of the wearer to the back side.

Claim 26 (previously presented): The garment according to claim 2, further comprising:

a fourth strong straining portion,,

wherein wearer's right and left parts of the fourth portion are connected at a position on the garment corresponding to musculus rectus abdominis in a hypogastric region; and

the fourth portion covers a region extending obliquely upward from the position on musculus rectus abdominis in a hypogastric region approximately in the direction of muscle fibers of musculus obloquies externus abdominis at wearer's right and left to at least a position exceeding the sides of the wearer to the back side.

Claim 27 (currently amended): A garment comprising:

a stretch fabric wherein the garment is adapted to cover at least a part of the lower body of a wearer, has a crotch part, and is adapted to be worn by being fitted to the wearer's body;

a first strong straining portion with a strong straining force,

wherein wearer's right and left parts of the first portion are connected at a position on the back side of the garment corresponding to any region from os sacrum to vertebrae lumbalis of the wearer's body;

the first portion covers a region extending from said position through tops of bulges of the buttocks or vicinities thereof approximately in the direction of muscle fibers of musculus ~~gluteous~~-gluteus maximus at wearer's right and left to at least the vicinity of trochanter major; and

a seventh strong straining portion ,

wherein wearer's right and left parts of the seventh portion are connected approximately in the vicinity of a position on the garment corresponding to the back center of the waist; and

the seventh portion covers a region extending from the vicinity of the position at the back center of the waist through musculus latissimus dorsi and musculus gluteus medius at wearer's right and left and a part of musculus obloquies externus abdominis to at least a position exceeding the sides of the wearer to the front side.

Claim 28 (previously presented): The garment according to claim 26, further comprising:

a seventh strong straining portion,

wherein wearer's right and left parts of the seventh portion are connected approximately in the vicinity of a position on the garment corresponding to the back center of the waist; and

the seventh portion covers a region extending from the vicinity of the position at the back center of the waist through musculus latissimus dorsi and musculus gluteus medius at wearer's right and left and a part of musculus obloquies externus abdominis to at least a position exceeding the sides of the wearer to the front side.



wherein the ninth portion further covers a region extending from the vicinity of trochanter major through the vicinity of tractus iliotibialis and/or musculus vastus lateralis in regio femoralis to a position a little higher than patella.

Claim 31 (currently amended): A garment comprising:

a stretch fabric wherein the garment is adapted to cover at least a part of the lower body of a wearer, has a crotch part, and is adapted to be worn by being fitted to the wearer's body;

a first strong straining portion with a strong straining force,

wherein wearer's right and left parts of the first portion are connected at a position on the back side of the garment corresponding to any region from os sacrum to vertebrae lumbalis of the wearer's body; and

the first portion covers a region extending from said position through tops of bulges of the buttocks or vicinities thereof approximately in the direction of muscle fibers of musculus ~~gluteous~~ gluteus maximus at wearer's right and left to at least the vicinity of trochanter major;

the first portion also has an tenth strong straining portion; and

the tenth portion further covers a region extending from the vicinity of trochanter major through the vicinity of tractus iliotibialis and/or musculus vastus lateralis to patella, and further from patella through the vicinity of musculus gastrocnemius and/or musculus soleus in the regio cruris lateralis to the vicinity of an upper part of malleolus lateralis so as to support musculus gastrocnemius and musculus soleus.

Claim 32 (previously presented): The garment according to 28, further comprising:

an eleventh strong straining portion in which the fourth portion and the seventh portion are united and continuous.

Claim 33 (previously presented): The garment according to claim 1, wherein a strong straining portion is formed by laminating a cloth on the front side or back side of a main body fabric of the garment.





